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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Warsaw Pact Conventional Threat to NATO Air Bases in Central Europe

- The SRP has come up with good suggestions on the above SNIE.
- 2. I suggest that somewhere in the first paragraph there be an indication that the broad range of capabilities the Soviets can use to get NATO air bases, i.e. SRBMs, aircraft, OMGs, SPETSNAZ, airborne assault forces and chemical weapons. It is always helpful to alert the reader early what he has to work his way through and this is particularly true for the brief summary the policymaker is likely to read.

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